

Teamwork highlighted during Kaiserslautern 'Warrior Response' exercise

KAISERSLAUTERN, GERMANY – Soldiers, airmen and civilians demonstrated the tight-knit force of Kaiserslautern military community during an emergency response exercise on Rhine Ordnance Barracks Nov. 16.

The U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern's Warrior Response force protection exercise brought together units from the garrison's 21st Theater Support Command, the city of Kaiserslautern, the 86th Airlift Wing, 435th Air Base Wing and 38th Combat Support Wing. Participants demonstrated their proficiency in reacting to improvised explosive devices and chemical threats.

“Within an Installation Management Command-Europe installation, specifically Kaiserslautern, it is very important for the Army, Air Force and host nation to come together and work jointly when it comes to crisis management,” said Henry Kaaihue, the garrison's anti-terrorism and force protection officer. “We demonstrated the robust capabilities of the response assets in the Kaiserslautern military community.”

“I want [the members of the Kaiserslautern Military Community] to feel comfortable that we have a plan in place, and we have experienced people who know exactly what to do,” added Lt. Col. Mechelle Hale, the garrison's commander.

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Michael Golnau, a Kaiserslautern military community Fire and Emergency Services firefighter, performs a gross (or quick) decontamination in the hot zone during the U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern's Warrior Response force protection exercise Nov. 16 on Rhine Ordnance Barracks in Kaiserslautern.